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Asst. Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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- This application is a [x] Continuation; [] Divisional [] [] Continuation in Part of prior application
- This application claims priority from U.S. Application 2. [x]Serial No. 09/979,009 filed on November 26, 1997.
- The application consisting of 29 pages (including [x]specification, claims and abstract).
- 0 sheet(s) of drawings is enclosed. The drawings are: [x]
 - [] formal; or a.
 - [] informal; formal drawings will be submitted in due course.
- A signed declaration and power of attorney is enclosed. The inventor(s) is/are Steven L. Bennett, Ying Jiang, Elliott A. Gruskin and Kevin M. Connolly
- A declaration and power of attorney is \underline{not} enclosed at this time since it \underline{has} \underline{not} been executed by the inventor(s). A [] 6. signed declaration and power of attorney will be submitted in due course.

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- 7. [] An Assignment of the invention to _____ is enclosed. Please record the Assignment and return it to the undersigned.
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